

PENDING CLAIMS:

1. (Original) A hydrobromide salt of morphine-6- β -D-glucuronide (M6G.HBr).
2. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an analgesically effective amount of M6G.HBr and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient, or diluent.
3. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of breathlessness in a subject with advanced cancer comprising an effective amount of M6G.HBr and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient, or diluent.
4. (Previously presented) M6G.HBr of a purity suitable for use in a pharmaceutical composition.
5. (Cancelled).
6. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 8, wherein the pain is moderate to severe in acute or chronic conditions.
7. (Cancelled).
8. (Withdrawn) A method of treating pain in a subject comprising administering the subject with an analgesically effective amount of M6G.HBr.
9. (Withdrawn) A method of treating breathlessness in a subject with advanced cancer comprising administering the subject an effective amount of M6G.HBr, wherein the M6G.HBr reduces the breathlessness.
10. (Withdrawn) A method of making M6G.HBr comprising the steps of:
 - (i) contacting a hydrogen bromide solution with a solution of M6G in methanol;
 - (ii) contacting the solution resulting from step (i) with an organic solution to precipitate M6G.HBr; and
 - (iii) isolating the precipitated M6G.HBr.

11. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 10, wherein the solutions are at -15°C , or below.
12. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 10 further comprising an additional step of washing the precipitated M6G.HBr to minimize the amount of organic solution present.
13. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 12, wherein the precipitated M6G.HBr is washed with diethyl ether.
14. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 10, wherein the organic solution used at step (ii) is 2-propanol.